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Mr. Michael J. O'Neil, Chief Counsel Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence TO:

House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mike:

Per our conversation of this date, please find enclosed.

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Enclosure

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C/CI would like the following to be passed informally to an appropriate member of the HPSCI staff who is familiar with the joint Senate/House conference on the FY 1985 budget authorization.

"During a recent visit to one of our major overseas stations,

SSCI staff member Codevilla said that the new intelligence authorization bill requires CI specialists in all stations. Codevilla
said that the bill was precisely set up to put an outsider in to
look at operations, a career CI man who would report through the
Chief of Station to Headquarters on a given operation and, being:
independent of the branch structure, would use a special CI channel.
Headquarters would then decide if a given operation was good or not based
on the two sides. Codevilla said the CI section could be one man or a
group of men, and that the aim of the bill was to stop the lapses in
security that lead to operations being discovered and then "manipulated"
against us—the 'quiet disasters'."

(Note: The classified annex to the FY 85 authorization bill has been carefully reviewed and there is no language whatsoever that is like what Codevilla claimed.)